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International Search Report dated September 11, 2000 in International Application No. PCT/EP00/04780, of which this application is the U.S. national stage.

**CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY  
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U.S. Patent Nos. 4,993,068; 5,869,822 and 4,827,518 are mentioned in the International Search Report established in PCT/EP00/04780 of which this is the U.S. national stage. **Copies of these documents are believed to be in the file of this**

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**U.S. Patent No. 5,056,147 corresponds to EP0 399 718 that is listed in the International Preliminary Search Report.**

German DE 197 30 170 discloses the concept of recognizing a plurality of different biometrical features but not the recognition of a plurality of data sets of a single biometrical feature.

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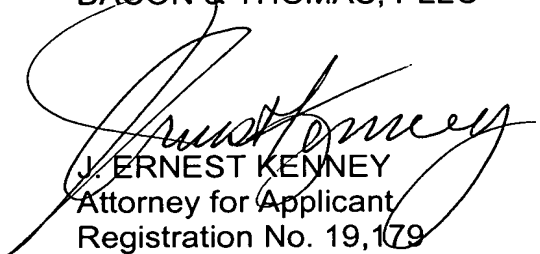
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